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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : G06F 7/00, 17/00
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2002/0091702 A1 (MULLINS) 11 July 2002 (11.07.2002), Figures 1-3 and corresponding portions of specification.	1-19
X	US 2002/0198891 A1 (LI et al) 26 December 2002 (26.12.2002), Figures 7-15 and corresponding portions of specification.	1-19
Y	US 6,519,597 B1 (CHENG et al) 11 February 2003 (11.02.2003), Figures 1-2 and corresponding portions of specification.	1-19
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X	US 6,199,195 B1 (GOODWIN et al) 06 March 2001 (06.03.2001), Figures 3-7 and corresponding portions of specification.	1-19
A	D'ANDREA et al. "UniSQL's Next-Generation Object-Relational Database Management System." ACM SIGMOD Record, Vol. 25, No. 3, Pgs. 70-76. September 1996. ACM Press.	1-19

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